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2 1/2 Yards Shell Oil Cloth 9c
Steel Shears 9c
Decorated Coupe Soups 9c
Decorated Carlsbad China Dinner Plates 9c
Decorated China Cream Pitcher 9c
Decorated Cups and Saucers 9c
Jardaniere 9c
Large Yellow Bowl 9c
Covered Butter Dish, worth 15c 9c
High Cake Stands 9c
Footed Berry Dishes 9c
Five Table Tumblers 9c
Rose Bowls 9c
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10 dozen Clothes Pins 9c
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2 cakes Medicated Tar Soap 9c
2 cakes Buttermilk Soap 9c
Kitchen Towel Roller 9c
Saw Cutters 9c
Salt Boxes 9c
Hat Racks 9c
Kale Boxes 9c
Hard Wood Butter Bowls 9c
Brooms, good corn 9c
Adjustable Window Screens 9c
Wire Dish Covers 9c
Large Polished Tin Sauce Pan 9c
1-gallon Oil Can 9c
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Dish Pans 9c
12-quart Pails 9c
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AT MONTAUK POINT.

Secretary Alger Still at Camp Wiko.

GETTING INTO WORKING SHAPE.

First Supply of Milk From New York. Granting Furloughs to Sick Soldiers. Lots of Red Tape—Colonel Roosevelt Returns to the Camp.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—General Alger is working a quiet but very effectual change in the conditions prevailing at Camp Wiko. Apparently he has decided that there is no time for the usual course of correspondence and requisitions and inquiries and has given personal orders and secured concessions which it would have taken the camp officers weeks to drag out of the department in Washington. An instance of how he is doing things was seen yesterday. He had directed that 2,000 quarts of milk be delivered at the camp every morning. Yesterday morning the contractor in Manhattan was able to supply but 1,000 quarts. That was bad enough, as it cut the supply in two, but as 2,000 quarts were promised every day hereafter, the shortage yesterday was not deplored. While the milk was on its way an axle broke, and in the ordinary course there would have been delay. Secretary Alger directed that an engine and a special train go after the milk and bring it through. This was done and time saved, and the milk came in sweet and good and was served to the soldiers.

General Wheeler had a complaint to make to the secretary. When the general was in Washington, he received instructions to issue extra rations to the sick and weak and give them what they wanted and needed regardless of their being on the ration list. This order was given verbally by President McKinley. General Wheeler came here and started in on a generous course outlined by the president, but was promptly held up by the quartermaster's department, and the unrolling of red tape began. General Wheeler told General Alger about it, and yesterday the camp quartermaster's department was busy ordering direct without the intervention of Washington a regular supply of soap, eggs and delicacies for the sick.

General Alger was up in the morning as soon as the others in camp were and drove out to General Wheeler's headquarters, and after a talk with him and interviews with the chiefs of the departments at the camp and the delivery of some very essential orders

he continued his inspection of the camp. At the general hospital General Alger found that the negro troopers doing police duty had not been as thorough as they might have been, and yesterday they had extra work to do under Alger's direction. In two hours not a trace of disorder remained. The next thing to strike the secretary as wrong was some wet and soggy spots near the hospital. He called Dr. Brown's attention to them and directed that they be filled up. They were dangerous to health, the secretary said. Within a couple of hours the damp spots were buried several feet between fresh clean sand.

In passing through the hospital tents General Alger stopped frequently to speak to the sick soldiers. He invariably asked the name of the sick soldier and where he fought.

A corporal of the Thirtieth infantry who could just keep on his legs met and recognized the secretary and at once came to salute. The secretary had evidently noticed the lack of this in others and took off his hat and asked the corporal's name. It was given, and the secretary complimented him on remembering a soldier's duty despite his illness and granted the man a furlough, which he signed then and there, and half an hour later the man was on his way out of the camp.

Miss Wheeler, daughter of the general, was introduced to General Alger and talked with him while she continued her duties to the sick. The greater portion of the day was spent by the secretary in inspecting the camp.

During the day General Alger granted furloughs right and left to men who deserved them and who were fortunate enough to come under his notice. In a day or so, if he remains, he may call for a list of those who have been in the hospital and furlough them all.

Company A of the Michigan regiment died on the trip north. The Breakwater and Comanche have been directed to proceed to New York and report to the quartermaster there for transfer to their owners.

Colonel Theodore Roosevelt who has been at Oyster Bay, on Long Island, reached here yesterday. Lieutenant Commander B. Turnakul of the Japanese navy visited the camp yesterday and inspected the hospitals. He expressed himself as favorably impressed with them and said they were as good as any he had seen in his inspections.

Texas Cavalry's Horses Stomped. SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Aug. 25.—The First Texas cavalry regiment is hard at work and will likely be kept in the saddle all this week hunting 500 of their horses which stomped early yesterday morning while being driven through from Fort Sam Houston to the target range for pasture. Several accidents and runaways were caused as the frightened animals dashed through the streets, over fences and even through open houses, and people fled for their lives in all directions. Nobody was seriously hurt though several hacks and carriage truck wagons, etc., were badly trampled.

New York Market. FLOUR—State and western steady, but active winter patents, \$1.75@1.10, winter patents, \$1.50@1.35. Minnesota patents, \$1.40@1.25, winter extras \$2.65 @2.15. WHEAT—No. 2 red opened weak on break in cables, but recovered later as a result of foreign buying and local covering. May, 67-1-15@1.67 1/2. August, 72 1/2. RYE—Dull; state, 45@46c. No. 2 western, 43 1/2@44c. O. P. Buffalo. CORN—No. 2, opened easy with wheat, after which it recovered on a demand from shorts. September, 34 1/2@34 5/8. December, 34 1/2. OATS—No. 2 dull, but steady; track, white, state, 30@31 1/2; track, white, western, 30@31 1/2. PORK—Steady; mess, \$9.50@10; family, \$12@12 1/2. LARD—Quiet; prime western steam, 11.75@12. BUTTER—Steady, state dairy, 13@17; state creamery, 14 1/2@15 1/2. CHEESE—Quiet; large, white, 7 1/2c; small, white, 7c. EGGS—Steady, state and Pennsylvania, 15@16 1/2; western, 15c. HUGAR—Raw strong; fair refining, 14 1/2c; centrifugal, 94 cent, 4 1/2c; refined strong; crushed, 7 1/2c; powdered, 6c. MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, 10@11. RICE—Steady; domestic, 5 1/2@5 3/4; Japan, 7@7 1/4.

PEACE COMMISSION.

President McKinley Decides on Our Representatives.

WHITELAW REID AND JUSTICE WHITE

These Men, With Senators Davis, Frye and Secretary Day, Will Be the American Members—Probable Instructions—All Lenses Will Be Held.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Secretary William R. Day of Ohio, Senator Cushman K. Davis of Minnesota, Senator William F. Frye of Maine, Justice Edward Douglas White of Louisiana and Whitelaw Reid of New York have been decided upon by the president as the American members of the peace commission.

Acceptances from Justice White and Mr. Reid have not yet reached the president. As Mr. Reid and Mr. White are both out of the city several days will elapse before there is a meeting of the full commission, but the other three members, who are in the city, will meet from day to day to discuss and prepare the demands of the United States which will be made when the Spanish commissioners are met in Paris next month.

The personnel of the American commission is regarded as particularly strong among public men. The views of all the commissioners, with the exception of Justice White, are pretty well known. Secretary Day does not favor the United States holding all of the Philippines. He would be satisfied with Manila and Manila bay. Senator Frye would be satisfied with Luzon island.

Mr. Reid, judging from the editorial in his paper, considers it impossible for Spain to exercise control of any portion of the Philippines, and thinks that the interests would be better subserved by the United States maintaining control over the entire group. Senator Davis is a territorial expansionist and it is believed, judging from some of his recent speeches, would favor permanent control over the entire Philippines.

Justice White, as a member of the supreme court, never talks for publication, and his views on the Philippine question are therefore unknown. The commissioners apparently are not going to Paris to demand the entire group of the Philippine islands, but to contend only for the occupation of Luzon island. This was strongly developed at a conference at the White House yesterday between the president, Secretary Day and Senators Davis and Frye, a majority of the members of the commission.

Senator Frye arrived here yesterday direct from his fishing camp on the Canadian border in answer to a summons from the president. He had been previously notified that he was wanted to serve on the commission, so he did not feel at liberty to decline, although it is probable that he would have preferred the honor had fallen on other shoulders.

During the conference the whole Spanish question was fully discussed, and the policy of the administration was distinctly outlined. While the fact is recognized that a large majority of the American people are inclined to favor the taking of the Philippines by the United States, participants in the conference yesterday advanced what they considered substantial reasons why they should not be done. In order to maintain absolute control over the entire group of islands the United States government would be required to provide a standing army of from 30,000 to 50,000 men. The members of the commission do not believe that would be advisable.

It is believed the commissioners will make a straightforward demand for Luzon island in accordance with suggestions supposed to have been received from Admiral Dwyer. Their demand was stated briefly but in emphatic terms. It was suggested that the contention of the United States should be drawn up in unmistakable English and presented to the Spanish commissioners, with the statement that discussion would be a waste of time, as there could be no modification of the American claim under any circumstances. Of course such a vigorous American proposition would be sustained by the great mass of American people, but it would hardly be in line with diplomacy.

It is said that the Spaniards are endeavoring to make it appear that the great and all absorbing question is the disposition of the Philippines, encouraging that impression in the hope that the United States will be induced in consideration of certain concessions in the Philippines to assume the responsibility for the Cuban war debt. The judgment of the commission thus far is against assuming one dollar of the Cuban debt. It is believed now that the Cuban debt question will be as troublesome to the commissioners as that of the Philippines.

The American commissioners will enter upon their duties with the firm determination to bring about a speedy conclusion. They will leave here about the middle of September and reach Paris in time to begin work in accordance with the terms of the protocol. It is probable that the proceedings will be conducted in the English language, although that question has not been fully determined. If the proceedings are carried on in French, in accordance with the usual custom, Mr. Justice White will prove a valuable member of the commission, for he speaks French fluently. The proposition was made to send the commission over to Paris in an American warship, but that idea was at once disposed of by the reminder that peace commissioners could with greater propriety cross the water in one of the ordinary transatlantic steamers.

SHAFER'S ARMY.

Left of the Service of Shipping Supplied on Shore Called Yesterday. WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The following dispatch was received from General Shaffer late yesterday afternoon:

"Command all embarked this morning (Aug. 25) except Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, detachment of recruits for First Illinois volunteer infantry and a part of the Ninth Massachusetts volunteer infantry, all of which will embark tomorrow morning on transports now here. General Bull is with the First Illinois on the *Benjamin* with 300 convalescents, which leave this morning for Montauk Point, N. Y. I will leave with headquarters and one company of First infantry of Mexico by noon today. Instructions about Orleans proceeding to Montauk Point just received. Allegheny left yesterday with Ninth Massachusetts on board. Unionist, having on board one company of First Illinois and private horses, leaves today; Saratoga, with Lieutenant Colonel Freedman and 300 of the Fifth infantry, arrived this morning; 300 more expected on the *Klicker* tocker in two or three hours."

The Convention of the Cortes, LONDON, Aug. 25.—The Madrid correspondent of The Times says:

"The convocation of the cortes for Sept. 5 indicates that Senor Sagasta has capitulated to a majority of his colleagues. The chief advocate of the early assembling of the cortes was the minister of justice, Senor Giron, a recognized authority on intricate questions."

"The peace conditions are thus fated to pass twice through the fire of parliamentary discussion—first in embryonic state, as defined in the protocol, and subsequently in the fully developed treaty form."

"It is stated that the government will insist upon prorogation during the sittings in Paris of the peace commission."

"The press hails this solution as a victory for genuine constitutionalism over what is described as 'a dictatorship of impotence.' There are many indications that the session will be extremely lively. The government will have to justify the suspension of the constitution and the press censorship, and there is no doubt that the orators of the chamber will make strenuous efforts to rouse the nation from its culpable lethargy."

"Prolonged discussions on the chief incidents of the war are probable, and awkward questions will be asked regarding the responsibility for blunders. The discussion of the protocol is also likely to be prolonged and animated, but it can hardly have any practical importance, because the fate of the Antilles is irrevocable, and the Philippine question cannot be minutely examined before the Paris commission meets."

Spain's Cuban War Expenses.

MADRID, Aug. 25.—The Gazette gives the Cuban war expenses from Jan. 1 to June 3 as 447,369,150 pesetas.

The queen regent presided at yesterday's cabinet council. The home situation was discussed, and Senor Sagasta, the premier, gave details of the capitulations of Manila and Santiago and explained the manner in which the Antilles will be evacuated.

The landing of troops at Corunna continues. The men present a pitiful spectacle. Eight died yesterday.

General Ruiz was kept at the quarantine station. The cabinet council also discussed the situation of the army at Manila and sanctioned the dispatch of funds to Admiral Cervera and to Manila for the immediate needs of the Spanish prisoners.

Tranquillity prevails throughout the peninsula.

Vesuvius at New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—The United States dynamite cruiser *Vesuvius*, Lieutenant Commander Pillsbury, which left Guantanamo Aug. 15 via Charleston Aug. 23 arrived in port yesterday afternoon all well and joined the warships at anchor off Tompkinsville. The *Vesuvius* stopped at quarantine for a brief inspection and, having a clean bill of health from Charleston, was permitted to proceed. The officers of the cruiser refused to talk of the experience with the fleet in Cuban waters. The *Vesuvius* has 73 officers and crew all told.

Chinese Woman Gets a Pension.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The pension office has granted a pension to Ah Cum a Chinese subject and widow of Pascal Martin a sailor of the United States navy to whom she was married in Shanghai in 1895. Three children were born to the couple. The widow will receive \$3 per month and the children \$2 a month each. Almost every other country furnishes one or more pensioners for Uncle Sam but until yesterday China was without a representative.

Olivette Returns to Ferdinandina.

BOSTON, Aug. 25.—The transport *Olivette*, which brought about 200 sick and wounded soldiers to this city last Tuesday, sailed on her return voyage to Ferdinandina, Fla. yesterday afternoon. She will pick up another load of sick and wounded soldiers and bring them north.

To Investigate French Treaty Rights.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—Sir John Bradston, former assistant undersecretary of state for the colonies and at one time attorney general for Queensland and Admiral Sir James Elphinstone Brinkie commander in chief of the British squadrons on the North American and West Indian stations, have been appointed commissioners to investigate the French treaty rights in Newfoundland. The Earl of Westmeath has been appointed secretary of the commission.

George G. Gordon Dead.

ROCHESTER, Aug. 25.—George G. Gordon, the millionaire banker of Brockport, died yesterday at his summer residence at Troutburg, on the shore of Lake Ontario. He was president of the First National bank of Brockport since 1881. Besides the banking business, Mr. Gordon possessed large holdings of real estate in western New York, as well as large lumber interests in the west.

THE QUEBEC CONFERENCE.

Adjourned Until Monday Morning—The Meeting to Be Held.

QUEBEC, Aug. 25.—The arbitration conference adjourned yesterday afternoon until 11 o'clock next Monday morning. After that they will meet probably each day until Sept. 2, when an adjournment will be taken until Sept. 29.

The commissioners decline to give out anything concerning the details of yesterday's work, but intimate that a number of subjects were discussed. The full scope of the work was not canvassed nor was it determined just how much the commission will be able to accomplish in the way of a general adjustment of the questions under consideration.

It is understood, however, that before the conference adjourns next week the commissioners will be able to judge very accurately what the final outcome of their deliberations will be. Nothing is said as to whether the commission will meet here after the recess or at Washington or some other place. An effort is being made to have the meeting continued at Ottawa, but this matter will probably not be decided until the meeting of Sept. 2. In the meantime between this date and Monday each commission will work separately upon various questions.

The joint meetings are held behind closed doors in the parliament buildings, and no one but the commissioners and the secretaries is permitted to be present. No delegations have appeared during the past two days for hearings. In fact the commissioners do not expect to be called upon to grant many more hearings. They will work out the details of each question and then in joint session exchange views and determine what settlement, if any, can be arrived at between the two countries.

CALIFORNIA REPUBLICANS.

State and Congressional Nominations For the Coming Election.

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 25.—The Republican state convention adjourned yesterday after an exceedingly peaceful session. The nominations for state and congressional officers made by the convention are as follows: Governor, Henry T. Gage; lieutenant governor, Jacob F. Naff; secretary of state, Charles F. Curry; comptroller, E. P. Colgan; treasurer, Truman Reeves; attorney general, T. L. Ford; clerk of the supreme court, George W. Rodi; justice of the supreme court, W. C. Van Fleet; justice of the supreme court, D. S. McFarland; surveyor general, M. J. Wright; superintendent of public instruction, Thomas J. Kirk; railroad commissioners, E. B. Edson and N. B. Blackstock; congress, First district, John A. Barham, Second district, Frank Ryan, Third district, Victor Melcaif, Sixth district, Russell A. Waters; Seventh district, J. C. Needham.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Results of Yesterday's Games in the National League.

At Louisville	W. L. P. C.
Louisville, 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 2-7 15 5	
Philadelphia, 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 1-3 10 7	
Batteries—Platt and McFarland, Magee and Kittredge	
Second game—	W. L. P. C.
Louisville, 4 0 1 0 1 2-8 14 1	
Philadelphia, 0 1 0 0 0 0 0-1 4 3	
Batteries—Dwelling and Powers, E. Murphy and M. Murphy	
St. Louis—	W. L. P. C.
St. Louis, 0 2 2 0 0 1 0-10 16 6	
Washington, 1 2 1 0 0 1 0-8 12 7	
Batteries—Budhoff and Kinslow, Weyhing and McGuire	
At Cleveland—	W. L. P. C.
Cleveland, 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0 1 3	
New York, 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0 0 1 3	
Batteries—Powell and Griger, Rustie and Warner	
At Pittsburgh—	W. L. P. C.
Pittsburgh, 0 4 2 0 0 0 0-5 10 2	
Brooklyn, 0 1 1 0 0 0 0-1 3 3	
Batteries—Hastings and Bowerman, Dunn, McKenna and Ryan	
At Chicago—	W. L. P. C.
Chicago, 0 0 2 4 1 1 0 1-9 30 8	
Boston, 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0-3 7 3	
Batteries—Callahan and Chance, Willis and Bergen	
At Cincinnati—	W. L. P. C.
Cincinnati, 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0-1 3 3	
Baltimore, 1 0 0 1 3 2 0 0-14 18 2	
Batteries—Dannan and Peltz, Maule and Robinson	

Table of Percentages.

W. L. P. C.	W. L. P. C.
Boston, 39 34 44	Pittsburgh, 55 54 51
Baltimore, 51 52 53	Philadelphia, 52 54 54
Cincinnati, 51 43 53	Brooklyn, 39 44 35
Cleveland, 42 54	Louisville, 41 57 33
Chicago, 60 45 57	Washington, 39 38 34
New York, 40 46 46	St. Louis, 32 71 30

French Center Reported Sunk.

PARIS, Aug. 25.—The evening papers report that the French armored cruiser *Breiz* has foundered in the Indian ocean, but the rumor is not confirmed.

The *Brux* is a steel vessel with two masts. She is 174 feet long, 45 feet 10 inches beam and has a draft of 19 feet 7 inches. Her displacement is 4,750 tons and her indicated horsepower 7,400 with speed of 17 knots. Her armament consists of two 16 inch guns, six 5.5 inch (quick firing), four 2.5 inch guns, four 1.8 inch guns and six 1 pounder Maxim guns, and she has five torpedo tubes. She was launched at Rochefort in 1894.

Annexation Movement in Jamaica.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Aug. 25.—The American annexation movement commenced on Monday in Manchester is rapidly spreading and finding general acceptance as the only viable alternative to ruin. The promoters of the movement are pushing it vigorously, being desirous of strengthening the hands of Jamaica's representative at the Barbados conference, thus encouraging intercolonial co-operation. The same obstacle encountered is the color question.

Indian Boundary Dispute.

VALPARAISO, Aug. 24.—The Chilean and Argentinean commissioners appointed to settle the boundary dispute met yesterday at Santiago de Chile. It is rumored, however, that the Argentine commissioner, Senor Moreno, who is, without definite proposals for the demarcation of the boundary, and it is feared that further trouble will arise.

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THE TEMPERATURE.

The following are the readings of the thermometer
 at Fort Point, N. J., Aug. 26, 1906.
 7 a. m., 80°; 11 a. m., 80°; 2 p. m., 81°.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 26.—Fair till
 Monday, cooler Saturday morning;
 northwesterly winds.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

5-45 p. m.—Yale's Comedy Co., at Casino.
 8-15 p. m.—Theatricals at Casino. On
 Saturday and Sunday.
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TOWN OF WALLKILL.

The Democrats of the town of Wallkill are
 requested to meet at Wall's Hall, Wallkill, N. Y.,
 Friday, Sept. 1, at 8 o'clock p. m., to choose dele-
 gates to represent the town in the N. Y. conven-
 tion to be held at the Hotel Hamilton, New York,
 Sept. 10-12, 1906. The purpose of the convention
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The President completed the list of
 Peace Commissioners, Thursday, by
 naming Justice White, of the Supreme
 Court, and Whitelaw Reid, as the asso-
 ciates of Secretary Day and Senators
 Davis and Frye, who had been already
 selected.

The *Democrat* suggests that the
 Ohio Democrats, in again demanding
 that the United States Senate investi-
 gate the charge that Mark Hanna was
 elected by bribery, are trying the effects
 of gagging. The Senate has no wish to
 investigate the charge, nor does Hanna
 wish to have his methods of winning
 votes inquired into and the persistent
 nagging of the Ohio Democrats, even if
 it does not force an investigation, will
 at least keep the scandal fresh in the
 public mind.

The *Middletown Press* has declared in
 favor of the re-nomination of Gov. Black.
 With characteristic modesty it disavows
 any intention of being the "whistle-blower"
 by asserting that it is "willing to leave
 the matter to the judgment of the dele-
 gates at the convention," which, as
 Uncle Josh Slabside was wont to say,
 is "the real consideration." The *Press* com-
 mends a number of reasons why Gov.
 Black should be given a second term, but
 omits one very important one, which
 must have had a controlling influence in
 impressing the *Press* with his excellence
 as a man and his availability as a candi-
 date,—the fact that he appointed Charles
 J. Boyd as a member of the Prison Com-
 mission.

The *Tribune*, in order to obtain from
 New York Republicans an expression of
 their preference concerning the nomina-
 tion for Governor, published a blank
 ballot in its weekly edition. Of these
 ballots 2,843 have been filed in with
 first and second choices and returned to
 the *Tribune* office and they have been
 tabulated as follows.

CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR	First Choice	Second Choice
Theodore Roosevelt	1,115	758
Frank A. Bland	207	173
Stewart L. Woodford	114	431
James A. Hubert	108	218
Wells L. Wood	53	104
Charles T. Hutton	41	240
Benjamin F. Tracy	32	188
Franklin D. Roosevelt	17	109
No choice	17	109
Total	2,843	2,843

Accompanying the letters were many
 expressions regarding the Republican
 platform, and the *Tribune* says they in-
 dicate strong opposition to additional
 expenditures for canal improvements,
 dissatisfaction with Republican machine
 rule and a demand for increased fidelity
 in the management of the State's busi-
 ness. These expressions of opinion are
 most significant, for they make it very
 evident that many Republicans are by
 no means satisfied with the record which
 their party has been making in the State,
 and they forebode a great deal of in-
 dependent voting unless the Republican
 candidates and the Republican platform
 give emphatic and positive assurances of
 better things in the future.

Thrown from a Wagon and Killed.
 Mrs. Joseph Kessler, of Coherston, was
 thrown from a wagon near Fort Point, a
 few days ago, and so badly injured that
 she died of her injuries. The accident was
 caused by the breaking of the harness.

RIOT AT CAVITE.

A Soldier Killed and Another
 Wounded by Natives.

SENDING SPANIARDS HOME.

A Prize Fight that Resulted
 in Death.

A Utah Soldier's Quarrel With a Philip-
 pine Shopkeeper Led to Fatal Results.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—The *Journal* has a
 copyrighted dispatch from Manila
 which says there has been a very serious
 clash at Cavite between United States
 soldiers and insurgents, the riot result-
 ing in the killing of one soldier and the
 seriously wounding of another.

Geo. Hudson, of the Utah Battery, got
 into a dispute with a native shopkeeper
 and learning trouble fired his revolver in
 the air to attract his fellow soldiers. A
 great crowd of natives ran to the scene
 of the disturbance and at once began
 firing revolvers, killing Hudson and
 seriously wounding Corporal Wm. An-
 derson, of the same battery, who had
 hurried to the assistance of Hudson.
 A detachment of the Fourth Cavalry
 was called out and dispersed the Fili-
 pinos, who retreated, firing their revolv-
 ers but without doing any more dam-
 age.

THREE SHIPLOADS OF SPANISH SOL-
DIERS.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Aug. 25.—The Span-
 ish transports *San Francisco*, *San*
Augustine and *Colon* left, this afternoon,
 for Spain with 4,500 Spanish soldiers,
 including fifteen officers and their fami-
 lies and four priests. Eight men died on
 the way to the ships. Their corpses were
 "checked off" as passengers. There ap-
 pear to have been many instances of
 this kind during the embarkation of the
 Spaniards, the transportation company
 thus being entitled to collect passage
 money, the thing being readily managed
 under the easy inspection of the Ameri-
 cans.

General Shafter and staff sailed, this
 afternoon, for the United States on the
 transport *Mexico*.

A FUGILIST DIED IN CONVULSIONS.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—Alexander Scott,
 a pugilist, died at five o'clock this morn-
 ing of uraemic convulsions brought on
 by his exertions in a fight with Tommy
 Butler at the Greenwood Athletic Club
 in Brooklyn, last night. Scott was a
 brakeman on the L. I. R. R., twenty-five
 years old, and leaves a wife and two chil-
 dren. He had made no serious prepara-
 tions to meet Butler, last night, and was
 declared in good condition by physicians
 before entering the ring. The excitement,
 heat and exertion brought on serious ura-
 mic convulsions to which he succumbed,
 this morning. Butler and his seconds
 are under arrest.

WANTS NEW YORK TROOPS SENT
HOME.

ALBANY, Aug. 26.—Gov. Black left for
 Washington, this morning, to confer
 with President McKinley and the War
 Department regarding the treatment of
 the New York troops in the United States
 military camps. He will be met in Wash-
 ington by Sergeant General Terry, whose
 report on the condition of the 8th Regi-
 ment has created such a sensation. The
 Governor will ask that regiments which
 contain a large number of sick troops be
 discharged at once so that the men may
 receive medical treatment at home, and
 that all other New York regiments be
 sent North as soon as possible.

BRITISH SHIPS MERELY CRUISING.

LOXDOX, Aug. 26.—With reference to a
 dispatch from Shanghai, yesterday, to a
 local news agency, asserting that the
 entire available British fleet in Chinese
 waters had arrived at Wei-Hai-Wei to
 support the demand of the British minis-
 ter at Peking, the Admiralty explains that
 no special significance whatever is at-
 tached to the movement. The squad-
 ron left Wei-Hai-Wei, July 22d, on their
 annual cruise, and they have returned in
 the ordinary course.

THE PEACE COMMISSION.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—Secretary Day,
 upon leaving the Cabinet meeting, this
 afternoon, announced that Whitelaw Reid
 had accepted his appointment as peace
 commissioner.
 The fifth member, Secretary Day an-
 nounced officially, had not been finally
 selected, but Justice White, of the Su-
 preme Court, has the President's tender
 of the place under consideration, and
 may be induced to accept.

KILLED HIS FATHER FOR HIS MOTH-
ER'S SAKE.

BUFFALO, Aug. 26.—Early this morn-
 ing John Carrigan, aged sixty, a cert
 man, was brutally murdered while he
 slept by his son Frank, aged thirty-three.
 The old man's head was nearly severed
 from his body by an axe. Young Carri-
 gan was arrested after making a desper-
 ate resistance. He admitted the crime,
 and said he did it because his father
 broke his mother's arm and abused her.

NO MORE DEATHS.

The Victims of Plague Following Re-
 covery.
 A dispatch to the *Argus* from Dr. J. F.
 Carletta, of Mountain Dale, says that
 there have been no more deaths among
 those poisoned at the Jones cottages by
 eating ice cream in which ptomaine had
 developed and that all the patients, with
 the exception of William Jones, are im-
 proving.

YELLOW FEVER CASES REPORTED.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Sergeant Gen-
 eral Wyman has received official infor-
 mation that a case of suspected yellow fever
 exists at the artillery post at Fort
 Point, near Galveston, Texas. The
 strictest isolation of the case will be en-
 forced until the true character of the dis-
 ease is discovered.

A telegram from Dry Tortugas states
 that the Viking, just arrived at Havana,
 has four cases of suspected yellow fever
 on board. The vessel has been quaran-
 tined. These isolated cases, Dr. Wyman
 says, are easily handled and he expresses
 no fear that the disease will spread.

THE PRAIRIE ASHORE.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—The U. S. steamer
Prairie is reported ashore three miles east
 of Amagansett, L. I. Four hundred
 troops are aboard, and all are reported
 safe and well. Assistance has been sent
 to the *Prairie*. The troops on board the
Prairie were all taken ashore in small
 boats and transferred from Amagansett
 to Montauk by train.

WILL NOT ATTEND CORTES.

MADRID, 26.—The Carlist and Republi-
 can members of Cortes have decided not
 to attend the forthcoming session and
 will issue a manifesto explaining their
 reasons for absenting themselves.

CHARGED WITH HORSE THEFT.

A Printer Who Did Not Return a Liv-
 ery Rig at the Promised Time Finds
 Himself in Trouble.

Thomas Delaney, a tall printer who
 came here from Newark and who, find-
 ing work at his trade slack, has been
 operating a wheel of fortune at fairs and
 picnics, hired a rig from George DeKay,
 of the Canal street livery stable, Wednes-
 day. He said he wanted to go to Mont-
 gomery and would return that night.
 He did not return at the promised
 time and Thursday morning, Mr. DeKay
 and Officer Tyrrell went in search of the
 man and the rig. They got on his trail
 and followed him all day and this morn-
 ing came upon him in Montgomery on
 his way back to this city and arrested
 him and brought him here.

Delaney had no traveling companions
 and no money. He was charged with the
 theft of the rig and the horse. He was
 held in custody until he could be pro-
 duced before Recorder Payne.
 This afternoon, Delaney disavowed all
 intention of stealing the rig. He said he
 had gone to Montgomery expecting to
 operate his wheel of fortune at a picnic
 there and arriving there learned that the
 picnic was at Walden. Rain made it im-
 possible for him to do any business there
 and Thursday he drove to Olatonah,
 Ulster county, where a big picnic was
 being held. He said that he supposed
 it made no special difference how long he
 kept the horse provided he paid for its
 use.

The further hearing was adjourned
 until Saturday afternoon, bail being
 fixed at \$500.

Charged With Building Barbed Wire Street
Line.

Nicholas J. Fowler, of the Fowler
 Hardware Company, of Walden, was
 arrested, Wednesday, charged with vi-
 olating a village ordinance by erecting a
 building which encroaches two feet on
 the Orange avenue street line. He has
 also been charged with continuing work
 on the building until his right to the land
 in question has been established.

A Luncheon in Honor of Mrs. Winters.

Mrs. Charles C. Locky gave a luncheon
 to about a dozen of her friends, Thurs-
 day afternoon, in honor of Mrs. Winters,
 wife of the new pastor of the First Pres-
 byterian Church.

The testimonials in behalf of Hood's
 Sarsaparilla are written by honest peo-
 ple who want you to know what it has
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 tically the same as the Chan-
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